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Honorable Allen W. Dulles

Director, Central Intelligence Agency

Dear Mr. Dulles:

Analysis of Air Force training capability as opposed to forecast requirements has indicated an impending reduction in the production of our Officer Candidate School (OCS). For a period of five years, starting in 1951, the Air Force has been training selected career employees of the Central Intelligence Agency in our Officer Candidate facility. This training is in accordance with a functional plan submitted to the former Director of the Central Intelligence Agency, Lieutenant General Walter B. Smith, as an attachment to a letter from Major General John H. McCormick, Acting Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff, Personnel dated 25 September 1951.

The cited plan provides for a quota of 65 candidates per year from your Agency. This figure was computed in 1951, when OCS production was approximately 2,000 per year and now represents 12.9% of the total reduced OCS output. Faced with a decrease in authorized manpower to carry on the school programs, the Air Force must re-evaluate its outside agency commitments. The five-year-old quota which authorizes your Agency 65 entries per year is most unrealistic, considering the current Air Force training capacity.

Considered assessment of our OCS production capacity indicates that a total of 15 spaces per year will be more compatible with the reduced Officer Candidate School status. Based on a history of your past entries, over a six-year period, an average of slightly less than five officers per year have been graduated under our agreement. I am confident that the reduced quota will allow you sufficient flexibility to accomplish your changing training requirements insofar as they concern Air Force facilities.

It is therefore proposed that this correspondence serve as the informational document to effect a change in the functional plan, Title: United States Air Force Implementation Plan for the Training of Selected Central Intelligence

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Agency Personnel. Paragraph A, to be changed as required, to read: "A periodic roster of individuals not to exceed 15 per calendar year, etc."

In closing, I would like to state that our past relationship on this project has been a most satisfactory one.

Sincerely yours,

W. S. STONE Major General, USAF Asst. DCS/Personnel

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